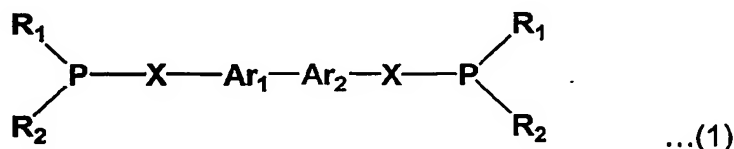


## CLAIMS

1. A catalyst composition comprising a bidentate ligand represented by formula 1, a monodentate ligand represented by formula 2, and a transition metal catalyst represented by formula 3:



wherein

- each of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  is a substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 alkyl group; a substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 alkoxy group; a substituted or unsubstituted C5-20 cycloalkane or cycloalkene; a substituted or unsubstituted C6-36 aryl group; a substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 heteroalkyl group; a substituted or unsubstituted C4-36 heteroaryl group; or a substituted or unsubstituted C4-36 heterocyclic group,  $Ar_1-Ar_2$  is a bisaryl compound, and X is oxygen (O) or sulfur (S),



wherein

- each of  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$  and  $R_5$  is a substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 alkyl group; a substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 alkoxy group; a substituted or unsubstituted C5-20 cycloalkane or cycloalkene; a substituted or unsubstituted C6-36 aryl group; a substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 heteroalkyl group; a substituted or unsubstituted C4-36 heteroaryl group; or a substituted or unsubstituted C4-36 heterocyclic group, each of  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$  and  $R_5$  being optionally substituted with nitro ( $-NO_2$ ), fluorine (F), chlorine (Cl), bromine (Br), or a C1-4 alkyl group, and

Y is oxygen (O) or sulfur (S),



5 wherein

M is a transition metal,

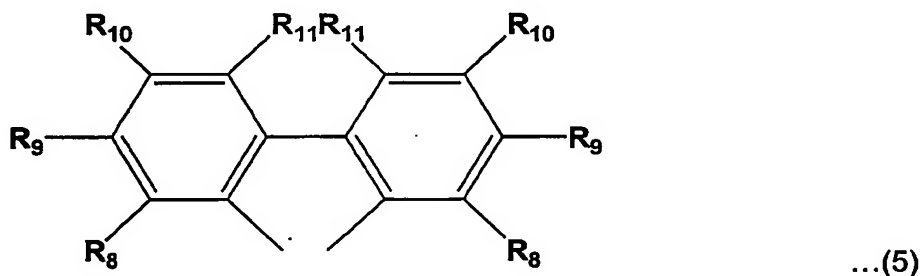
each of  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$  and  $L_3$  is hydrogen, CO, acetylacetonato, cyclooctadiene, norbornene, chlorine, or triphenylphosphine, and

each of l, m and n is a number of 0 to 5, provided that all l, m and n are not zero  
10 simultaneously.

2. The catalyst composition of claim 1, wherein in formula 1, each of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  is pyrrole, phenyl, or indole, and the phosphorous is directly linked to a nitrogen atom.

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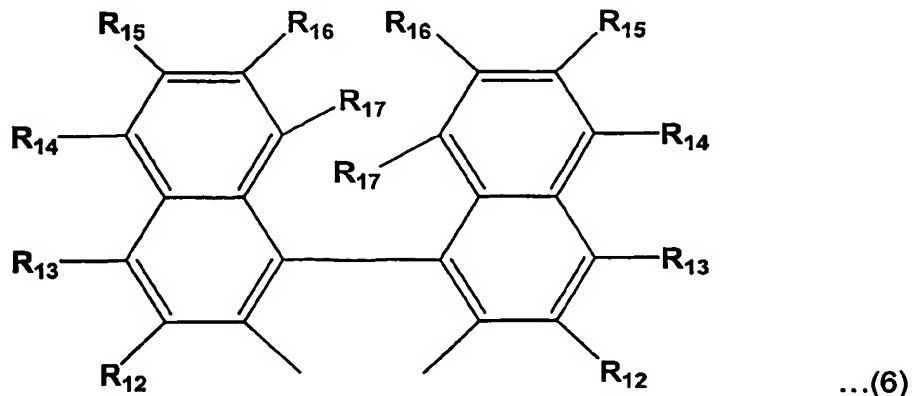
3. The catalyst composition of claim 1, wherein in formula 1, the bisaryl compound  $Ar_1-Ar_2$  is represented by either formula 5 or formula 6:



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wherein

each of  $R_8$ ,  $R_9$ ,  $R_{10}$ , and  $R_{11}$  is hydrogen, a C1-20 alkyl group, a C6-20 aryl group, a triarylsilyl group, a trialkylsilyl group, a carboalkoxy group, a carboaryloxy group, an aryloxy group, an alkoxy group, an alkylcarbonyl group, an arylcarbonyl group, an  
25 amide group, a halogen atom, or a nitrile group, the carboalkoxy group being represented by  $-CO_2R$  (wherein R is a C1-20 alkyl group or a C6-20 aryl group),



wherein

each of R<sub>12</sub>, R<sub>13</sub>, R<sub>14</sub>, R<sub>15</sub>, R<sub>16</sub>, and R<sub>17</sub> is hydrogen, a C1-20 alkyl group, a C6-20  
 5 aryl group, a triarylsilyl group, a trialkylsilyl group, a carboalkoxy group, a carboaryloxy  
 group, an aryloxy group, an alkoxy group, an alkylcarbonyl group, an arylcarbonyl group,  
 an amide group, a halogen atom, or a nitrile group, the carboalkoxy group being  
 represented by -CO<sub>2</sub>R (wherein R is a C1-20 alkyl group or a C6-20 aryl group).

10 4. The catalyst composition of claim 3, wherein in formula 5, R<sub>8</sub> is methyl,  
 methoxy, or t-butyl group, R<sub>9</sub> is hydrogen, R<sub>10</sub> is methyl, methoxy, or t-butyl, and R<sub>11</sub> is  
 methyl or hydrogen.

15 5. The catalyst composition of claim 1, wherein in formula 2, Y is oxygen (O),  
 each of R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>4</sub>, and R<sub>5</sub> is phenyl, phenoxy, cyclohexyl, or t-butyl.

6. The catalyst composition of claim 1, wherein in formula 3, the transition  
 metal M is cobalt (Co), rhodium (Rh), or iridium (Ir).

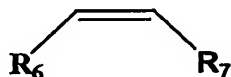
20 7. The catalyst composition of claim 1, wherein the transition metal catalyst  
 is acetylacetonatodicarbonylrhodium (Rh(AcAc)(CO)<sub>2</sub>),  
 acetylacetonatocarbonyltriphenylphosphinerhodium (Rh(AcAc)(CO)(TPP)),  
 hydridocarbonyltri(triphenylphosphine)rhodium (HRh(CO)(TPP)<sub>3</sub>),  
 acetylacetonatodicarbonyliridium (Ir(AcAc)(CO)<sub>2</sub>), or  
 25 hydridocarbonyltri(triphenylphosphine)iridium (HIr(CO)(TPP)<sub>3</sub>).

8. The catalyst composition of claim 1, wherein the concentration of the transition metal is 50 to 500 ppm based on the amount of the catalyst composition, and the concentration of the bidentate ligand is 0.5 to 20 mol and the concentration of the monodentate ligand is 0.1 to 200 mol, respectively, per mol of the transition metal.

9. The catalyst composition of claim 1, wherein the transition metal catalyst is acetylacetonatodicarbonylrhodium ( $\text{Rh}(\text{AcAc})(\text{CO})_2$ ), the bidentate ligand is 1,1'-biphenyl-2,2'-diyl-bis(dipyrrolylphosphoramidite) ( $\text{BPO-P}(\text{Pyl})_2$ ), and the monodentate ligand is triphenylphosphine oxide (TPPO).

10. A process of hydroformylating an olefin compound, comprising reacting the olefin compound with a gas mixture of hydrogen and carbon monoxide with stirring at elevated pressure and temperature in the presence of the catalyst composition of any one of claims 1 to 9 to produce an aldehyde.

11. The process of claim 10, wherein the olefin compound is represented by formula 4:



...(4)

wherein

each of  $\text{R}_6$  and  $\text{R}_7$  is hydrogen, a C1-20 alkyl group, fluorine (-F), chlorine (-Cl), bromine (-Br), trifluoromethyl ( $-\text{CF}_3$ ), or a C6-20 phenyl group substituted with 0 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of nitro ( $-\text{NO}_2$ ), fluorine (-F), chlorine (-Cl), bromine (-Br), methyl, ethyl, propyl and butyl.

12. The process of claim 10, wherein the olefin compound is a compound selected from the group consisting of ethene, propene, 1-butene, 1-pentene, 1-hexene, 1-octene, and styrene.